



Metropolitan New York

### WELCOME TO THE USO!!

Welcome to New York City and the USO!! The USO Center is located on the corner of 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the Port Authority Bus Terminal (north wing, second floor). We are open 7 days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

As you travel around New York, we hope you will see our City at its best—and all of us at the USO are here to make your visit as enjoyable (and inexpensive!) as possible. New Yorkers are friendly and generous with our military members, and they are eager to show you a good time. As a rule of thumb, keep your military ID handy to present at every restaurant and tourist venue; you are almost always guaranteed a discount (or sometimes a free pass)! Please call the USO front desk if you have any questions (212-695-6160)—and have fun!

### MAPS (help yourself)

- City maps (Times Square area, downtown area, full Manhattan view)
- Subway maps
- Bus Maps

### DISCOUNT COUPONS TO TOURIST VENUES (help yourself)

- Madame Tussauds Wax Museum (42<sup>nd</sup> Street)
- Fire Department of NY Museum
- 9/11 Memorial Preview Site (World Trade Center)
- Center Museum
- Bodies (South Street Seaport)
- Pompeii Exhibit (Discovery Times Square)
- Harry Potter Exhibit (Discovery Times Square)
- Helicopter Tours
- Ripley's Believe It Or Not (42<sup>nd</sup> Street)
- Dave & Buster's (42<sup>nd</sup> Street)

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## **TRANSPORTATION AND TOURIST VENUES**

SUBWAYS AND BUSES REQUIRE A METROCARD, WHICH CAN BE PURCHASED AT ANY SUBWAY KIOSK OR MACHINE (PAY-PER-RIDE FARE is \$2.50). SOMETIMES ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS MAY RIDE FOR FREE (JUST ASK!); SOME TOURIST DESTINATIONS WILL ALSO ADMIT YOU FREE OF CHARGE. PLEASE KEEP YOUR ACTIVE ID HANDY AND PRESENT IT WHEREVER YOU GO!

### **GRAY LINE DOUBLE-DECKER BUS TOURS**

- The USO will issue a discount voucher, to be redeemed at the Gray Line Office (one flight below the Center)

### **CIRCLE LINE BOAT TOURS**

- The USO will issue a discount voucher, to be redeemed at the Circle Line Office (Pier 83, West 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, along the River)

### **STATUE OF LIBERTY (and ELLIS ISLAND)**

- Take #1 subway (red line) downtown to last stop ("South Ferry")
- Walk over to Castle Clinton at southernmost tip of Battery Park
- Show ID to go to front of line to purchase Ferry ticket
- Ferry stops at Liberty Island and Ellis Island
- Although you can get on to Liberty Island, you will not be able to go into the statue without a "Monument Pass" (usually sold out months in advance)
- \$10 for Active ID (no discounts for family--\$12 adult, \$5 children, \$10 senior)

### **EMPIRE STATE BUILDING**

- Show your military ID at the door for a discount (\$20 per ID)
- Regular rates: \$24-Adult; \$18-Children ages 6-12

### **ROCKEFELLER CENTER**

- Quick walk from USO to Rockefeller Center (48<sup>th</sup> to 51<sup>st</sup> Streets, between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenues)
- Visit Top of the Rock Observatory (better view than Empire State Building!) - \$10 with Active ID
- Take NBC Studio Tour (30 Rockefeller Plaza - Second floor of NBC Experience Store - 49<sup>th</sup> Street between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenues) - \$15 with any military ID (active, dependent, reserve, veteran, adult, child)
- Purchase ticket on 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of NBC Experience Store
- Tours depart every 30 minutes, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Reserve by phone: 212-664-3700

### **INTREPID SEA, AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM**

- At Pier 86 (on the Hudson River at 46<sup>th</sup> Street)
- Active and Retired military IDs admitted free
- Questions?? Call 212-245-0072

### **STAND UP NY**

236 West 78<sup>th</sup> Street (between Broadway and Amsterdam; 212-595-0850)

### **TIMES SQUARE ARTS CENTER**

669 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue (between 42<sup>nd</sup> and 43<sup>rd</sup> Streets; 212-586-7829)

### **THE UNDERGROUND LOUNGE**

955 West End Avenue (between Broadway and 107<sup>th</sup> Street; 212-531-4759)

### **CENTRAL PARK – THE BEST PLACE TO VISIT IN GOOD WEATHER!**

- The Central Park Zoo is on the southeastern end of the park (enter across from the Plaza Hotel on 59<sup>th</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue). Keep your military ID handy for discounts (regular price \$10/adult; \$5/children; free under age 3)
- Walk along the eastern side of the park to the miniature boat pond (remote control boats) and the adjacent Alice in Wonderland Playground; then continue up to the Loeb Boathouse (rowboat rentals); there is an inexpensive café in the rear where you can sit, snack and relax
- Walk across to the southwest side of the park for huge playgrounds with water play and a carousel! (\$2.00 a ride!)
- Enjoy a picnic on any one of the many lawns—lots of bird, turtle and duck watching!
- Visit Belvedere Castle in the center of the Park (overlooking the Great Lawn); climb the castle, which is used as a NYC weather station

### **CHILD-FRIENDLY VENUES**

- Toys R Us (with Ferris Wheel in the lobby - Broadway and 44<sup>th</sup> Street)
- American Doll Store (5<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 49<sup>th</sup> Street)
- Dylan's Candy Bar (3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue at 60<sup>th</sup> Street – open 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)
- Children's Museum of Manhattan (the Tisch Building, 212 West 83<sup>rd</sup> Street)
- The Field House at Chelsea Piers (rock climbing wall, ball pit, colored murals – 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and Hudson River Park)
- New York Transit Museum (Corner of Boerum Pl. & Schermerhorn St. – former Subway Station – Brooklyn, NY – Open Tues.-Fri. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; closed Mondays and holidays; Admission: General \$6; Children 3-17 \$4; Seniors \$4)
- South Street Seaport Museum (12 Fulton St. – Closed Mondays; Admission: Adults \$12; Seniors/Students with ID \$10; Children under 5 FREE)
- Sony Wonder Technology Lab (550 Madison Ave.; 56<sup>th</sup> between Madison & 5<sup>th</sup> – closed Monday; open Tues. – Sat. 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Thurs. 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Sun. noon – 6:00 p.m.)
- New York City Police Museum (100 Old Slip – Open Mon. – Sat. 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Admission Adults \$7; Students & Seniors \$5; Children under 2 FREE)
- New York City Fire Museum (278 Spring St. – SOHO – Open Tues. – Sun. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Admission Adults \$5; Seniors & Students \$2; Children under 12 \$1)
- Museum of the City of New York (1220 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. at 103<sup>rd</sup> St. – Open Tues. – Sun. 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; closed Mondays except holiday Mondays; Suggested Donations Only)
- Paley Center for Media, formerly Museum of TV & Radio (25 W. 52<sup>nd</sup> St.) – Open Wed. – Sun. noon – 8:00 p.m.; closed Mon. & Tues. ; Suggested Donations Only – General \$10; Students & Seniors \$8; Children under 14 \$5)

**THANK YOU FOR VISITING THE USO; PLEASE STOP BY NEXT TIME YOU ARE IN TOWN!!**

**212-695-6160; [www.info@uso.org](http://www.info@uso.org)**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

(As of January 2011)

### PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL GAMES

(general policy as stated by Yankees and Mets; subject to change)

#### NY YANKEES (at Yankee Stadium)

- Free tickets for games MONDAY through THURSDAY (no weekends) with active ID (no uniform required)
- Free seats are in upper deck or bleachers
- NO free tickets for games vs. Boston, Baltimore, Mets, All Stars, Old Timers
- Report to Gate 4 to present active military ID; guests without ID may be admitted at discounted rate, depending on game.
- Questions should be addressed to **Front Office – 718-293-4300 or 718-293-6000**
- **YANKEE STADIUM TOURS**
  - Free with active ID
  - Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 1:40 p.m., 6 tours running every 20 minutes
  - No tours on holidays

#### **Directions to Yankee Stadium from USO Center:**

- West side - D train (42<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue) uptown to 161<sup>st</sup>; exit to stadium
- East side - 4 train (Grand Central Station) uptown to 161<sup>st</sup>; exit to stadium

#### NY METS (at Citi Field – Jackie Robinson Rotunda)

- Free tickets for non sold-out games only, subject to availability (no restrictions about days of week) with active ID (no uniform required)
- Report to "Main Gate" to present active military ID; guests without ID may be admitted at discounted rate, depending on game.
- Questions should be addressed to **Front Office – 718-565-4360**

#### **Directions to Citi Field from USO Center:**

- #7 subway to Willets Point stop; exit to stadium

# **TALK/LATE NIGHT SHOWS (MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY)**

**Arrangements for these activities are on your own.**

## **Good Morning America**

### **Studio Location**

Broadway & 44th St.  
in Times Square  
New York, NY  
Tel: 212-580-5176

Tickets: Tapings are every morning, 7 a.m. – 9 a.m. – visit [www.abcnews.com](http://www.abcnews.com) and click on visit GMA on the upper righthand side of the second bar (more gma)

## **Today Show (Through the window)**

NBC Studio 1A  
Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, NY 10112  
48th Street between 5th and 6th Avenue Tel: 212-664-4249  
Tickets: Tapings Mon-Fri 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

## **Late Show with David Letterman**

CBS Ed Sullivan Theater 1697 Broadway  
Tel: 212-975-1003  
Tel: 212-247-6497

Tickets: Stand-by tickets available Mon-Thurs, no in person lottery system – must call at 11:00 a.m. or visit the website for details about getting tickets.

[http://www.cbs.com/late\\_night/late\\_show/tickets/](http://www.cbs.com/late_night/late_show/tickets/)

## **Live with Regis and Kelly**

ABC 7 Lincoln Square at 67<sup>th</sup> St. & Columbus Ave.  
Tel 212-456-3054

Tickets: Stand-by tickets available Mon-Fri when taping at 8:00 a.m., 10 years old and up or <http://www.dadt.com/live/> and click on show info to get additional information on tickets.

## **The View**

### **Studio Location**

ABC  
320 West 66th St.  
New York, NY 10023  
Tel: 212-456-0900

Tickets: Stand-by tickets available Mon-Fri between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m.: 18 years old and up <http://theview.abc.go.com/> to get tickets ahead of time.

# **SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE**

Theatre tickets can also be purchased at the TKTS discount booths in Times Square. The following web link will give you further information on location of booths and last week's tickets that were sold.

Tickets cannot be ordered ahead of time, you must purchase tickets at one of these booths....Good Luck!

And Good Discounts!

[http://www.tdf.org/TDF\\_ServicePage.aspx?id=56](http://www.tdf.org/TDF_ServicePage.aspx?id=56)